

SC Center for the Book Opens

The South Carolina Center for the Book officially opened February 24.

John Y. Cole, director, Library of Congress Center for the Book, talked about the history of the Center. Marjory Wentworth, South Carolina poet laureate, and Joyce Hansen, South Carolina author, spoke about their work and their commitment to books and reading.

The new Center (previously the Palmetto Book Alliance) is housed in the State Library at 1430 Senate Street, Columbia. The Center features some of the State Library's extensive collection of South Carolina

materials, which includes authors from the state and books about the state.

As a state affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book, the Center

statewide reading project. Patti Butcher, director, South Carolina State Library, said, "We will utilize an advisory board for the Center which will help us develop program ideas and outreach projects."



Cutting the ribbon (l) to (r) Pam Davenport, Talking Book Services; B. G. Stephens, State Library board chair; Jane Connor, State Library youth services consultant; John Cole, director, Library of Congress Center for the Book; and Patti Butcher, director, S.C. State Library

The opening was held in conjunction with the 10th annual South Carolina Book Festival. The C-Span Book TV bus parked outside the State Library and provided tours of their "rolling TV studio". The Center for the Book is open and available to the public during normal State Library hours. For more information contact

promotes books, reading, libraries and literacy. Special projects are being planned by the Center including a

the SC State Library at 803-743-8666 or check the Web site for updates statelibrary.sc.gov.

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The Future of Libraries

Will libraries survive? How do we remain relevant? These are questions being debated right now in the library world and the South Carolina State Library is attempting to answer them for South Carolina libraries.

A recent DuPage tele-conference featured Rick Anderson (University of Nevada) - one of the librarians questioning our future. Anderson describes the issues facing us:

- Expectations changed by Google and other online resources
- The public's perception of libraries as "the book place"
- Libraries tendency to be rule followers rather than problem solvers
- Teaching patrons/students how to get around the barriers to our resources, rather than removing those barriers

In my experience, librarians also believe they "know" what their communities and patrons need and want intuitively. If we are to survive, we must realize the only way to know what our communities need is to ask them. And then, change to meet those needs!

Libraries that survive are going to be the ones that truly become "community centers." Several initiatives are underway through the State Library including:

- Rural Library Sustainability Project (Gates Foundation)
- New State Library Web site featuring Forums
- Real-time video conferencing opportunities
- Focus on community analysis as part of strategic planning

The Rural Library Sustainability grant brings funds to South Carolina to promote the sustainability of public access computing in rural libraries. We will be able to promote libraries as the place to "connect" in their communities.

The new SCSL Web site will enhance the way the State Library is able to interact with its constituent groups. It will provide a virtual place to discuss, to set up interest groups and for libraries to host community forums.

We will be able to meet using real-time video conferencing equipment located in eight libraries around the state including the State Library. While we will be using it for meetings and workshops we hope libraries will consider other uses. As a community



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center, the library might help parents whose children attend the SC School for Deaf & Blind connect with their children in Spartanburg during the week. Perhaps a parent or spouse of a serviceperson in Iraq might connect with their loved one.

Lastly, consider including community analysis as part of any strategic planning. For examples of activities and information sources, check out www.skyways.org/pathway. The "Profiling Your Community" section has step-by-step instructions for gathering data from many sources for the planning process. Library development staff members are available to assist libraries.

As always, I look forward to continuing this conversation and hearing your thoughts and ideas. I can be reached at patti@leo.scslib.state.sc.us or 803-734-8656.



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2005 NOTABLE STATE DOCUMENTS AWARDS

The South Carolina State Library is pleased to announce the most notable 2005 South Carolina state government documents. The selection is announced annually on or near Freedom of Information Day, March 16, the birthday of President James Madison, an early proponent of citizen access to government information.

Awards were presented by Patti Butcher, State Library director, at a ceremony at the State Library March 15. "During this second annual observance of Sunshine Week and in connection with the annual observance of the Freedom of Information Act, the State Library is pleased to recognize outstanding examples of government information being provided to the citizens of South Carolina," said Butcher.

The judges were Susan Silverman and Jackie McFadden from Winthrop University, Jan Comfort from Clemson University and Elaine Sandberg of the South Carolina State Library.

This year's winners are:

- *Against Their Will: Sexual Violence in South Carolina 1991-2003*, by Rob McManus, South Carolina Department of Public Safety, Office of Justice Programs
- *Documentation of the Saluda Dam Entrance* (Historic Resource 243 0127.02) Lexington County, South Carolina, Edward Salo, Principal Investigator, South Carolina Department of Transportation
- *Healthy People Living in Healthy Communities 2005*, by Jan Easterling and Patty Dod Lolas, editors, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, 2005
- *Humanitas 2005*, Rita Cuthbertson, editor, Medical University of South Carolina
- *Life at the Water's Edge*, by Lin Roth, editor, Clemson University, Department of Forestry and Natural Resources
- *Opportunities for Automotive Companies in South Carolina*. South Carolina Department of Commerce
- *South Carolina Agricultural Statistics*, National Agricultural Statistics Service and Clemson University, Department of Applied Economics and Statistics
- *South Carolina: an Atlas*, by Charles F. Kovacik, editor, South Carolina Geographic Alliance
- *Statistical Profile by Counties 2004 Edition*, by Thomas Smith, South Carolina Commission for Minority Affairs
- *SC.gov.* (Web site), Budget and Control Board, Division of State Chief Information Officer



S.C. Budget & Control Board



S.C. Geographic Alliance

Currently there are more than 90,000 items in the South Carolina State Documents Collection in the Library. About 8,000 documents are added each year. Last year provisions for preserving electronic formats of documents were begun so that the many documents that are appearing on the Internet can be retrieved, saved to Library servers and made accessible through the online catalog.

SC Center for Children's Books and Literacy Expands

The South Carolina Center for Children's Books and Literacy (CCBL) held a ribbon cutting for its new "classroom" April 19. The Center is located at 1500 Senate Street, on the mezzanine level of the State Library.

Center Director Helen Fellers was so successful getting SLIS and USC children's literature classes to utilize the Center that they outgrew their current space. Books were relocated to other shelves freeing up classroom space for the Center.

The Center's collection consists of two parts: current materials and the permanent collection. Current materials, received on a regular basis from publishing houses, are kept for two years in the Center. At the end of the two-year period, they are added to the research collection of Thomas Cooper Library at the University of South Carolina.

The Center's permanent collection consists of award winning books, professional materials, books designated as instructional materials, foreign language books, wordless picture books, autographed books and books on tape.

The CCBL is open to the public during regular library hours (M-F, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm) and is available for classes or special tours upon request.

For more information, please call (803) 734-8207 or write to The Center for Children's Literacy and Books of the University of South Carolina at the State Library, PO Box 11469, Columbia, SC 29211. The e-mail address is hbfellers@yahoo.com.



The South Carolina Center for Children's Books and Literature Director Helen Fellers hosted USC President Andrew Sorensen on a recent visit to the Center.

The **South Carolina State Library** is pleased to introduce four new staff members.



Kathy Sheppard has been hired as a library development consultant with the State Library. She returns to South Carolina from California where she was at the Glendale Public Library for 15 years. For nine years she managed Technical Services and the last six she was Development and Special Projects Coordinator. She received her Master's in Library Science degree from the University of South Carolina.



Robby Brown is the agency's new network administrator. He worked for the Employment Security Commission in the IT services department. Brown also served in Operation Iraqi Freedom as an MP from September 2004 to October 2005.



Business office director Retta Yandle comes to the State Library with an extensive background in banking. She worked for nine years at the SC Department of Mental Health as supervisor of data control/accounting and was promoted to budget analyst. The last

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two and a half years she was director of business for the Administration and Finance Division of S.C. Department of Mental Health.



Paula James is the State Library's new Senior Accountant in the Finance & Business Operations department. She has an associate's degree in Public Service. Paula has worked in state government for fifteen years all of those within a finance department and been with the library since March 2, 2006.

Also, Felicia Vereen has been promoted to Director of Library Development. A graduate of Coastal Carolina University with a BA in English and a graduate of the USC School of Library and Information Science, Vereen will continue as a consultant in facilities planning and automation and will be supervising the Library Development Services staff.

The **Charleston County Public Library** and the **James B. Duke Library** at Furman University in Greenville are winners of the John Cotton Dana Library Public Relations Award, which recognizes and honors outstanding achievement in library public relations.

This award, jointly sponsored by the H. W. Wilson Company and the H. W. Wilson Foundation, Bronx, N.Y., with the Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), has been awarded continuously since 1946.

Charleston County Public Library was recognized for its innovative project, "Remembering the Cooper River Bridges," The James B. Duke Library — Furman University won for "ICU: Life in the Library" and "Year of the Library," a two-phase building renovation and expansion campaign.

Anna Irish, a patron of the Nancy Carson Library of **ABBE Regional Library System**, submitted one of 12 winning entries in Baker and Taylor Inc.'s first annual calendar contest. Irish, 12, submitted a drawing of the short-eared cats who serve as the international book distributor's mascots. Her drawing was selected from 500 entries as the May art in a 2006 calendar that is distributed to B&T clients worldwide.

Dr. Noble P. Cooper Jr., who currently serves as vice chair of the **Richland County Public Library's** Board of Trustees, received the Margie Herron Outstanding Library Trustee Award from the South Carolina Association of Public Library Administrators.

Quincy Pugh and Clo Cammarata of the **Richland County Public Library** have been elected to leadership positions with the South Carolina Library Association (SCLA). Pugh, film and sound manager at RCPL, was elected first vice president/president elect. Cammarata, information services librarian at RCPL, was elected secretary.



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Quincy Pugh

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NEW RESOURCES

What's new in our collection? Think of the South Carolina State Library for resources next time you need professional literature on a wide variety of topics.

Fund-raising

Alexander, G. Douglass. **Essential principles for fundraising success: an answer manual for the everyday challenges of raising money**. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2005. CALL #: 658.15 ALEX

Gerding, Stephanie K. and Pamela H. MacKellar. **Grants for libraries: a how-to-do-it manual**. New York: Neal-Schuman Publishers, 2006. CALL #: 025.11 GERD

Miner, Jeremy T. and Lynn E. Miner. **Models of proposal planning & writing**. Westport, CT.: Praeger, 2005. CALL #: 658.15 MINE

Mutz, John and Katherine Murray. **Fundraising for dummies**. Hoboken, NJ; Chichester: Wiley, 2006. CALL #: 361.706 MUTZ.

Roth, Stephanie and Mimi Ho. **The accidental fundraiser: a step-by-step guide to raising money for your cause**. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2005 CALL #: 658.15 ROTH

Leadership

Van Wart, Montgomery. **Dynamics of leadership in public service: theory and practice**. Armonk, NY: M.E. Sharpe, 2005. CALL #: 352.3 VANW

Management

Berman, Evan M. et al. **Human resource management in public service: paradoxes, processes, and problems**. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications, 2006. CALL #: 352.6 HUMA

Trotta, Marcia. **Supervising staff: a how-to-do-it manual for librarians**. New York: Neal-Schuman Publishers, 2006. CALL #: 023.9 TROT

Motivation

Davenport, Thomas H. **Thinking for a living: how to get better performance and results from knowledge workers**. Boston: Harvard Business School Press, 2005. CALL #: 658.3 DAVE

We Need Your Input!

The State Library is considering developing an electronic newsletter to be distributed via e-mail. This electronic version would replace the current print version. It would also be available on our Web site as it is currently.

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Senator Gerald Malloy (third from left) and Representative Denny Nielson (fourth from left) pose with Darlington County Public Library representatives at the 2006 Library Legislative Day March 8 in Columbia.

for your CALENDAR

April 27 / 10 am
Letters About Literature
Awards, SC Center for
the Book,

April 28 / 12 noon - 2pm
DuPage Teleconference
"Google Print: Its Impact
on Scholarship and
Libraries"

May 4 / noon - 1:30 pm
Staff Service Recognition
Luncheon and Awards

May 10
Closed, Confederate
Veterans Day

May 17 / 10:30 am -
noon
State Library Board
Meeting

May 19 / 3:30-5 pm
Retirement Reception for
Bobbie Adkins

May 23 / 9-11:30 am
Staff Workshop with Mary
Bushing, "Excellence in
Customer Service"

May 29
Closed, Memorial Day

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